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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TETSUYOSHI ISHIWATA) Examiner:
Application No.: N/Y/A) Group Art Unit:
Filed: Currently herewith)
For: IgA NEPHROPATHY-RELATED)
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified
application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 13. (Amended) A method for producing [the]
protein [according to claim 9], comprising:
culturing the transformant according to claim 12 in
a medium to produce and accumulate said protein in the
culture; and
recovering said protein from the resulting culture.

REMARKS

Claim 13 has been amended for better form and to
comply with accepted U.S. practice.